

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Chief Luther J. Taylor,
Jr. of the South Bend Fire Department upon his retirement.

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Chief Luther J. Taylor, Jr. of the South Bend Fire Department upon his retirement.

Whereas, Chief Taylor is the longest serving fire chief in South Bend history after more than 34 years of service including 21 years as chief;

Whereas, Chief Taylor, in an era of dramatic change, oversaw the South Bend Fire Department's expansion in number of firefighters, facilities, and budget, personally recommending the promotion of 21 chiefs;

Whereas, Chief Taylor was instrumental in the modernization of the Department's safety procedures and the evolving mission to provide emergency medical services;

Whereas, Chief Taylor led the way in creating South Bend's hazardous materials response team and served as its first coordinator;

Whereas, Chief Taylor also established the Department's special operations units including river rescue, tactical rescue, confined spaces rescue and structural collapse rescue;

Whereas, Chief Taylor extended his service to the entire state when he was selected by Governor Kernan to lead the State Emergency Management Agency; and

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Whereas, the citizens of South Bend are the beneficiaries of a stronger and more professional fire department as a result of the distinguished career of Chief Taylor; Therefore:

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly
of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

- 1 SECTION 1. The Indiana State Senate hereby honors Chief Luther
- 2 J. Taylor, Jr. of the South Bend Fire Department upon his retirement.
- 3 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to transmit a
- 4 copy of this resolution to Chief Luther Taylor.

